

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 9 and 14 have been indicated as being allowable if suitably rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, independent claims 7 and 9 have been incorporated into claim 6, and claims 7 and 9 have been canceled. Thus, Claim 6 is now in condition for allowance. Likewise, claim 11 has been amended to include all of the limitations of the claims 12 and 14. Thus, claim 11 is now in condition for allowance. The dependency of claim 8 has been changed so that it depends from claim 6, and claim 13 has been changed so that it depends from claim 11.

Based on the above, the present application is now in proper condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable action to that effect is respectfully solicited.

It is believed that no additional fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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